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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 16, 2005, said period of response being extended from March 16, 2006 to May 16, 2006.

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